

**ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE**

The present invention provides a cosmetic powder  
5 composition that has superior aesthetic properties over the  
prior art. The present invention is preferably a pressed powder  
cosmetic composition that includes silicone elastomer particles  
that have a JISA hardness index less than about 45. The  
cosmetic powder cosmetic compositions of the present invention  
10 have a hardness value less than about 1500 grams and/or a  
percent recovery value greater than about 25.